

Maulana Syed Kalbe Jawad- An Introduction

Maulana Syed Kalbe Jawad was born on 4th Jan 1953 at Jauhari Mohalla, Lucknow- in a celebrated family of learnnig and religious scholastics called Khandan-e-Ijtehad. His fathar Maulana Syed Kalbe Abid, Dean faculty of Theology A.M.U Aligarh was a prolific religious scholar and community leader. His grandfather Maulana S. Kalbe Husain was reknown religious scholar and orator. His great grandfather,maternal grandfather and maternal great grandfather all were reputed religious authority.

He got elementary education at his home by his father and Maulana S. Mohsin Nawab. Afterwards he was admitted (1968) in the molvi class of Sultanul Madaris ,Lucknow where he got certificates and degree of Molvi, Alim, Fazil, Sanadul Afazil and Sadrul Afazil (1975).

In addition to it, he did ‘Tazil-e-Tafseer (1971), BA. (1973), M.A in English (1975) from Lucknow University, Lucknow and BTh., M.A in Persian (1978) and M. Phil (1983) from A.M.U., Aligarh.

In Sultanul Madaris he got privilege of taking education from reputed scholar-teachers like Maulana Syed S. Ali Husain, Hakim Maulana Ghulam Raza, Maulana S. Altaf Haider, Maulana S. Mohd Mahdi, Maulana S M. Saleh, Maulana Syed Ali Rizavi, the then Principal, of this institution.

After the tragic accident of his father on 13th Dec. 1986, he went to seminary at Qum,Iran for higher religious education. He participated in the seminary lectures of spiritual figures such as Aqai Ali Muhammadi, Aqai Itemadi, Aqai Payani, Aqai Wijdani Fakhr, Aqai Nasir Makaram Shirazi and Aqai Jafer Subhani.

Ever since his return to India in 2001, he has been engaged in service to religion and the society. He was appointed Imam-e-Juma, Lucknow on his father’s demise. In addition to it, he is:

- (1) Founder - President, Noor-e-Hidayat Foundation, Lucknow.
- (2) Reviver and Secretary, Majlis-e-Ulama-e-Hind.
- (3) Founder-Patron, Anjuman Pasdarane Husaini, Lucknow.
- (4) Patron, All India Ali Congress.
- (5) Member, All India Muslim Personal law Board.
- (6) Chancellor, Madrasatul Waezeen, Lucknow.
- (7) Patron and/or chief of numerous learnning, research and social organizations and association.

He has been striving hard on the footprints of his illuminated father for lifting ban (by state goverment) on Lucknow’s historical, centuries old lamentation (Aza) processions. He started a well organized movement for it in 1997 and was put behind bar .It was due to his sacrifices to the cause and his leadership that the ban was lifted. He is known for his continued social and reigious services. Moreover he is identified with as a crusader for the cause of humanity, standard-bearer of unity among muslims and national integration.

Books, penned by him

- (1) *Iran ka Islami Inqelab, Fitnae Wahhabiyat Aur Shiat* (1986) Pub. by Maktab-e-Iman, Lucknow.

Manzoor Nomani, in his book ‘Inqelabi Islam Iran wa Shiat,’ targettig Shia faith tried to prove that Shias are kafir and Iran’s revolution was un-islamic. Refuting the claim,

maulana has proved that Shia beliefs are but Islamic and are common among all the Islamic sects.

In the way he has presented arguments and evidences from books of Sunni sect only.

He has dealt the issues of Taqaiyya, Muta, Bada and Tahreefe Quran (Transposition of words & alteration in the holy Quran) in a research style.

(2) *Islam Deen-e-Haq* (collection of Majlises) 1999 Pub. Ahbab Publishers, Lucknow

Collection of majlises addressed during Ashra of Moharram at Ghufraan Ma'ab Imambara, Lucknow, on 'Imam-e-Zamana(af)'

(3) *Mukhtasar Tareekh-e Usul-e-Fiqh* (A Brief History of Principles of Islamic Jurisprudence) (Unpub.) presented the history through ages along with explaining the terminology

(4) *Tareekh-e-Fiqh-e-Shia* (History of Shia Jurisprudence)

Discussed are Shia jurists through ages with explanation of terminology

(5) *Shiat par Eteraz kyou* (Why objection against Shiaism) Pub. Jamiyate Talbae Jaferia, Pakistan.

(6) *Nigarishat-e. Qaide Millat* (Writings of Maulana Kalbe Jawad) Unpub.

(7) *Islam aur Huquq-e-Bashar* (Islam and Human Rights) Pub. as serial in daily Rashtriya Sahara, now compiled in form of a book.

(8) *Islam me Khwateen ka Martaba* (Status of Women in Islam): Pub. as serial in daily Rashtriya Sahara, now compiled in form of a book.

(9) *Qaide Millat ke Lekh* (Hindi version of '6')

(10) *Islam aur Manavadhikar* (Hindi version of '7')

(11) *Islam mein Nari ka Sthan* (Hindi version of '8')

National and Religiosocial Services

(1) Founded Anjuman Pasdaran-e-Husain for security and release (from unauthorised possession) of Waqf properties. Under its banner, Imambara Sibtainabad Hazratganj, Lucknow was got released from unauthorised possession . This Imambara is second biggest Imambara after Bara Imambara and was made 'club' by Britishnes Its repair is in progress now.

(2) 20- bigah land belonging to waqf Sajjadia was got released from the possession of land mafia The land was given to 300 'Poor' for building houses, and also 44 quarters were constructed and given to destitutes, some are under construction.

(3) Renovation of Imambara Zainul Abidin is in progress

(4) Renovation of Imambara Sajjadia

(5) The facelift of monuments and buildings of Husainabad being carried out currently is but due to his untiring efforts.

(6) Demonstrations in protest against attacks on Shrines in Iraq. In addition, demonstrations were organized under his leadership in Delhi and Lucknow. It was first time that His Holiness Shankaracharya Swaroopanand Saraswati Maharaj of Jyotirmath, Haridwar participated in such demonstration in Delhi.

Besides it , a demonstration in protest against the cartoon of the Prophet, published in denmark ,was organized under his leadership with record participation of a million heads. It was a historical gathering,

(7) It was his consistent persuasion that public holiday was declared on 13 Rajab and on Jumatul Vida by the then chief minister of UP. Shri Mulayam Singh Yadav in 2007; the community had been demanding for 60 years and it was fulfilled due to his efforts.

(8) Some unauthorised possessions have been removed from the valuable land of Dargha-e-Shahe Mardan, Delhi due to his untiring efforts which are continued for getting release of the land still in unauthorised possession.

(9) Revival of Majlise Ulema-e-Hind whose first meeting was held in 2007 at Imambara Ghufraan Maab, Lucknow. No bigger assembly of ulema and orators has ever been witnessed in history of Indian sub-continent. About two thousand ulema and orators took part in it.

(10) Grand Protest March against Atrocities on Muslims in Bahrain, held in Delhi and Lucknow.

(11) Grand protest March against atrocities on Christians in Pakistan, from Maqbara Saadat Ali Khan to G.P.O., Lucknow, under his leadership.

Besides these innumerable religious-social services are to his credit.